

## Development and Compliance Services **Building Division**

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RE: Monthly Report for April 2013

Attached are the Building Division's monthly report for April 2013 and copies of the Summary of the Inspectors' Workload reports.

## **Permit Issuance**

By the end of April, 1,184 permits had been issued with a construction value of approximately \$221.1 million dollars, representing 698 new dwelling units. Compared to last year, this represents a 1.4% decrease in the number of permits, a 3.7% increase in the construction value and a 89.2% increase in the number of dwelling units.

To the end of April, the number of single and semi detached dwellings issued were 218, which was a 17.1% decrease over last year.

At the end of April, there were 396 applications in process, representing approximately \$160 million dollars in construction value and an additional 553 dwelling units, compared with 452 applications having a construction value of \$161 million dollars and an additional 621 dwelling units for the same period last year.

The rate of incoming applications for the month of April averaged out to 23.0 applications a day for a total of 483 in 21 working days. There were 99 permit applications to build 99 new single detached dwellings, 22 townhouse applications to build 71 units, of which 12 were cluster single dwelling units.

There were 432 permits issued in April totalling \$115,687,721 including 463 new dwelling units.

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## **Inspections**

Although multiple inspections may be booked and completed for a project on the same day (ie. structural framing and HVAC rough-in), only one inspection is counted in this report. This provides a more accurate depiction of the inspectors' workload.

Building Inspectors received 1,272 inspection calls and conducted 1,481 building permit related inspections with an additional 39 inspections completed relating to complaints, licenses, orders and miscellaneous inspections. This is a total of 1,520 inspections or an average of 152 inspections made per inspector this month based on 10 inspectors\*, which averages out to 8.4 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 210 person working days – 29.5 vac/sick day/training = 180.5) There are a total of 9,635 active building permits or an average of 964 permits per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 99.5% of the time.

Plumbing Inspectors received 709 inspection calls and conducted a total of 874 permit related inspections, there were 3 inspections performed that related to the Backflow Prevention Program. Inspections relating to complaints, orders and miscellaneous calls totalled a further 3 inspections. During the month, a total of 880 inspections were conducted with an average of 176 per inspector, which averages out to 8.67 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 105 person working days – 3.5 vac/sick day/training = 101.5). Active building permits involving plumbing totalled 2,882 or 576 on average per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 99.9% of the time.

\*The 10th building inspector who was assigned office duties for medical reasons started working ½ days in the field starting April 11, 2013.

PK: Attach.

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